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SUBJECT: CSCE/CBMS: DUTCH TALKS WITH SOVIETS

1. NETHERLANDS EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARIES VOS AND ZANDVLIET VISITED EUR/RPM DEPDIR APRIL 6 TO ELICIT U.S. VIEWS CONCERNING THE FEASIBILITY OF CBM PROPOSALS FOR THE PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR MILITARY MOVEMENTS. DEPDIR INFORMED THAT U.S. POSITION WAS STILL UNDER STUDY. DUTCH INQUIRY WAS INSPIRED BY VISIT TO NETHERLANDS FOR CSCE CONSULTATIONS OF ADAMASHIN OF SOVIET MFA WHO, ACCORDING TO VOS AND ZANDVLIET, INDICATED THAT SOVIETS MIGHT NOT BE TOTALLY ADVERSE TO A SUITABLE MOVEMENTS CBM PROPOSAL. DEPDIR INDICATED THAT THIS POSITION, IF CORRECT, WOULD CONTRADICT ALL SOVIET STATEMENTS ON CBMS WE HAVE HEARD TO DATE, BOTH
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DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY. DEPDIR WENT ON THAT MOST RECENT AND MOST AUTHORITATIVE WORD WE HAVE HAD FROM SOVIETS AGAINST ADDITIONAL CBMS WAS FROM SOVIET FONMIN GROMYKO DURING SECRETARY VANCE'S RECENT VISIT TO MOSCOW (USNATO 1944, PARA 27). VOS AND ZANDVLIET WERE ALSO INFORMED, AS RELATED MATTER, THAT WE HAD RECENTLY HEARD (STOCKHOLM 1503) THAT NEUTRALS AND NON-ALIGNED - APPARENTLY

INCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA - HAD CONCLUDED THAT LIMITED EFFORT ON CBMS AT BELGRADE WOULD BE BEST TO AVOID CHANGES IN FINAL ACT PROVISIONS.

2. ADAMASHIN ALSO INDICATED, ACCORDING TO VOS AND ZANDVLIET, THAT HE WOULD BE REPLACING MENDELEVICH ON SOVIET CSCE DELEGATION. WE EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT THAT INFORMATION.

3. BIO DATA AVAILABLE HERE INDICATES THAT ANATOLIY LEONIDOVICH ADAMASHIN, BORN OCTOBER 11, 1934, HAS BEEN CHIEF OF THE ADMINISTRATION FOR GENERAL INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS OF THE SOVIET MFA SINCE 1974. DURING A 1976 SESSION WITH THE CANADIANS ON CSCE, ADAMASHIN SAID THAT HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR CSCE AT THE WORKING LEVEL (MOSCOW 12019 OF JULY 29, 1976). HE WAS ALSO PART OF A SOVIET CSCE GROUP IN BRUSSELS IN 1975 (USNATO A174 OF NOVEMBER 3, 1975) AND ATTENDED UNGAS 29, 30 AND 31 (1 74-1976). HE WAS A SOVIET EMBASSY THIRD AND SECOND SECRETARY IN ROME 1963-1965 AND THEN FIRST SECRETARY, LATER UNSELOR IN FIRST EUROPEAN DIVISION OF SOVIET MFA, 1965-1974. ADAMASHIN IS SAID TO BE WELL-SPOKEN, ABOUT 5' 10", SLIGHTLY DARK IN COMPLEXION, HAVE BLACK HAIR AND BE "TRIMLY DRESSED".

4. FOR THE HAGUE: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CHECK DISCREETLY WITH DUTCH CONCERNING CONSULTATIONS WITH SOVIETS ON CSCE, IN PARTICULAR TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE OF REPORTED ADAMASHIN STATEMENT ON MOVEMENTS CBM.

5. FOR MOSCOW: EMBASSY REQUESTED TO INFORM DEPARTMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL

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ANY INDICATIONS THAT ADAMASHIN MIGHT REPLACE MENDELEVICH ON SOVIET DELEGATION AT BELGRADE.

6. FOR USNATO: MISSION SHOULD NOT INITIATE DISCUSSION OF DUTCH REPORT, BUT BE PREPARED TO RESPOND ALONG LINES FOLLOWED BY DEPDIR ABOVE. HOWEVER, MISSION MAY INFORM POLADS AT NEXT APPROPRIATE OCCASION OF SUBSTANCE OF STOCKHOLM 1503.

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